House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 5707–5726; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 143; and H. Res. 817–818, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 5322, to amend the Investment Company Act of 1940 to terminate an exemption for companies located in Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and any other possession of the United States (H. Rept. 114–673);

H.R. 3178, to simplify and streamline the information regarding institutions of higher education made publicly available by the Secretary of Education, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–674);

H.R. 3179, to amend the loan counseling requirements under the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–675);

H.R. 5529, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to authorize additional grant activities for Hispanic-serving institutions, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–676);

H.R. 5530, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to modify certain provisions relating to the capital financing of historically Black colleges and universities, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–677);

H.R. 5528, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to simplify the FAFSA, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–678);

H.R. 5636, to increase the effectiveness of and accountability for maintaining the physical security of NIST facilities and the safety of the NIST workforce (H. Rept. 114–679);

H.R. 5638, to provide for the establishment at the Department of Energy of a Solar Fuels Basic Research Initiative, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–680);

H.R. 5640, to provide for the establishment at the Department of Energy of an Electricity Storage Basic Research Initiative, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–681);

H. Res. 819, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4992) to codify regulations relating to transfers of funds involving Iran, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5119) to prohibit the obligation or expenditure of funds available to any Federal department or agency

for any fiscal year to purchase or issue a license for the purchase of heavy water produced in Iran; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5631) to hold Iran accountable for its state sponsorship of terrorism and other threatening activities and for its human rights abuses, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–682); and

H. Res. 820, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5538) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes; providing for proceedings during the period from July 15, 2016, through September 5, 2016, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–683).

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Meadows to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:24 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H4580

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

U.S. Territories Investor Protection Act of 2016: H.R. 5322, to amend the Investment Company Act of 1940 to terminate an exemption for companies located in Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and any other possession of the United States; Pages H4581–82

Requiring the Secretary of the Treasury to direct the United States Executive Director at the International Monetary Fund to support the capacity of the International Monetary Fund to prevent money laundering and financing of terrorism: H.R. 5469, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to direct the United States Executive Director at the International Monetary Fund to support the capacity of the International Monetary Fund to prevent money laundering and financing of terrorism;

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National Strategy for Combating Terrorist, Underground, and Other Illicit Financing Act: H.R. 5594, to require the establishment of a national strategy for combating the financing of terrorism and related financial crimes;

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Enhancing Treasury's Anti-Terror Tools Act: H.R. 5607, amended, to enhance the Department of the Treasury's role in protecting national security, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 362 yeas to 45 nays, Roll No. 402;

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Amending title 31, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to include all

funds when issuing certain geographic targeting orders: H.R. 5602, to amend title 31, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to include all funds when issuing certain geographic targeting orders, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 356 yeas to 47 nays, Roll No. 401;

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DHS Stop Asset and Vehicle Excess Act: H.R. 4785, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Under Secretary for Management of the Department of Homeland Security to make certain improvements in managing the Department's vehicle fleet;

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Quadrennial Homeland Security Review Technical Correction Act of 2016: H.R. 5385, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make technical corrections to the requirement that the Secretary of Homeland Security submit quadrennial homeland security reviews; Pages H4594–95

Airport Perimeter and Access Control Security Act of 2016: H.R. 5056, to modernize and enhance airport perimeter and access control security by requiring updated risk assessments and the development of security strategies; Pages H4595–97

Terrorist and Foreign Fighter Travel Exercise Act of 2016: H.R. 4404, amended, to require an exercise related to terrorist and foreign fighter travel;

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Veterans' Compensation COLA Act of 2016: H.R. 5588, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2016, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans; Pages H4600-01

Designating the United States Customs and Border Protection Port of Entry located at 1400 Lower Island Road in Tornillo, Texas, as the "Marcelino Serna Port of Entry": H.R. 5252, to designate the United States Customs and Border Protection Port of Entry located at 1400 Lower Island Road in Tornillo, Texas, as the "Marcelino Serna Port of Entry"; Page H4601

Designating the George C. Marshall Museum and George C. Marshall Research Library in Lexington, Virginia, as the National George C. Marshall Museum and Library: H. Con. Res. 138, designating the George C. Marshall Museum and George C. Marshall Research Library in Lexington, Virginia, as the National George C. Marshall Museum and Library;

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Strengthening Transparency in Higher Education Act: H.R. 3178, amended, to simplify and streamline the information regarding institutions of

higher education made publicly available by the Secretary of Education; Pages H4603-06

HBCU Capital Financing Improvement Act: H.R. 5530, amended, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to modify certain provisions relating to the capital financing of historically Black colleges and universities; Pages H4606–07

Empowering Students Through Enhanced Financial Counseling Act: H.R. 3179, amended, to amend the loan counseling requirements under the Higher Education Act of 1965; Pages H4607-11

Simplifying the Application for Student Aid Act: H.R. 5528, amended, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to simplify the FAFSA;

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Accessing Higher Education Opportunities Act: H.R. 5529, amended, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to authorize additional grant activities for Hispanic-serving institutions;

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Providing for the concurrence by the House in the Senate amendments to H.R. 636, with amendments: H. Res. 818, providing for the concurrence by the House in the Senate amendments to H.R. 636, with amendments;

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National Institute of Standards and Technology Improvement Act of 2016: H.R. 5639, amended, to update the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act; Pages H4641-45

National Institute of Standards and Technology Campus Security Act: H.R. 5636, to increase the effectiveness of and accountability for maintaining the physical security of NIST facilities and the safety of the NIST workforce;

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Electricity Storage Innovation Act: H.R. 5640, amended, to provide for the establishment at the Department of Energy of an Electricity Storage Basic Research Initiative; and

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Solar Fuels Innovation Act: H.R. 5638, amended, to provide for the establishment at the Department of Energy of a Solar Fuels Basic Research Initiative.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:45 p.m. and reconvened at 5:16 p.m. **Page H4611**

Recess: The House recessed at 6:23 p.m. and reconvened at 6:31 p.m. **Page H4622**

Suspension-Failed: The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Anti-terrorism Information Sharing Is Strength Act: H.R. 5606, to facilitate better information sharing to assist in the fight against the funding of terrorist activities, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 229 yeas to 177 nays, Roll No. 403. Pages H4586-88, H4624

Separation of Powers Restoration Act of 2016: The House began consideration of H.R. 4768, to amend title 5, United States Code, with respect to the judicial review of agency interpretations of statutory and regulatory provisions. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, July 12th.

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Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule.

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Rejected:

Johnson (GA) amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 114–641) that sought to exclude cases where rules are issued by the Department of Homeland Security and pertain to matters of national security (agreed by unanimous consent to withdraw the earlier request for a recorded vote).

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Proceedings Postponed:

Johnson (GA) amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 114–641) that seeks to exempt from the bill rules issued by the Environmental Protection Agency pertaining to regulation of lead or copper in drinking water;

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Meeks amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 114–641) that seeks to exempt from the bill rules issued by the Department of Housing and Urban Development;

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Johnson (GA) amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 114–641) that seeks to exempt from the bill rules issued pursuant to an express grant of authority from Congress; and

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Johnson (GA) amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 114–641) that seeks to preserve judicial deference to agency expertise during the review of consumer safety rules issued by the Commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration.

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H. Res. 796, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4768) was agreed to Tuesday, July 5th.

Recess: The House recessed at 9:10 p.m. and reconvened at 9:45 p.m. **Page H4657**

Discharge Petition: Representative Courtney presented to the clerk a motion to discharge the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Ways and Means, and the Budget from the consideration of H.R. 1434, to amend the Higher Education Act of

1965 to provide for the refinancing of certain Federal student loans, and for other purposes (Discharge Petition No. 6).

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4622–23, H4623–24, and H4624. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

Committee Meetings

UNITED STATES FINANCIAL SYSTEM PROTECTION ACT OF 2016; NO ²H₂O FROM IRAN ACT; A BILL TO HOLD IRAN ACCOUNTABLE FOR ITS STATE SPONSORSHIP OF TERRORISM AND OTHER THREATENING ACTIVITIES AND FOR ITS HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2017

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 4992, the "United States Financial System Protection Act of 2016"; H.R. 5119, the "No ²H₂O from Iran Act"; H.R. 5631, to hold Iran accountable for its state sponsorship of terrorism and other threatening activities and for its human rights abuses, and for other purposes; and H.R. 5538, the "Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017. The committee granted, by voice vote, a closed rule for H.R. 4992. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule also grants a closed rule for H.R. 5119. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Finally, the rule grants a closed rule for H.R. 5631. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule